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Multi Packaging Solutions Earns Governor's Safety and Health Award

Employees work more than 1.4 million hours without a lost-time incident

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Nov. 25, 2014) – Deputy Secretary Rocky Comito of the Kentucky Labor Cabinet today joined employees and officials in Louisville to present the employees of Multi Packaging Solutions (MPS) with the Governor's Safety and Health Award. The honor recognizes the employees for working more than 1.4 million hours without a lost-time accident or illness.

Kentucky Labor Secretary Larry L. Roberts called the achievement something that all employers in the Commonwealth should recognize.

"Multi Packaging Solutions deserves this honor because of its dedication to providing a safe and healthy workplace," said Secretary Roberts. "There's no doubt that safety is good for business, and this accomplishment is an example to every employer in Kentucky."

MPS is a leading global provider of value-added packaging solutions across the healthcare and branded consumer markets. The company has approximately 200 employees at its manufacturing facility on South Brook Street in Louisville, and operates

52 other manufacturing locations in the United States, Asia and Europe. Worldwide, MPS employs more than 7,600 people.

"We take our responsibility to employees and to a safe working environment seriously, and are proud of achieving this safety milestone," said MPS Environmental and Safety Affairs Manager Patrick Peak. "To ensure the safety of our plants, equipment and procedures, we have formalized operating standards and conduct regular inspections. Safety training is also integral to our working environment."

The Kentucky Labor Cabinet presents the Governor's Safety and Health Award in recognition of outstanding safety and health performance. An establishment may qualify for the award if its employees together achieve a required number of hours worked without experiencing a lost-time injury or illness. The required number of hours is dependent upon the number of employees. In the case of MPS, the requirement is 500,000.

The Governor's Safety and Health Award program is part of Gov. Steve Beshear's efforts to improve the health of all Kentuckians. The Governor launched kyhealthnow in February as an aggressive and wide-ranging initiative to significantly reduce incidents and deaths from Kentucky's dismal health rankings and habits. It builds on Kentucky's successful implementation of health care reform and uses multiple strategies over the next several years to improve the state's collective health.

Every establishment within the geographical boundaries of Kentucky is eligible, even if the establishment won the award the previous year. Eligibility is limited to one award during a 12-month period of time.

The award is a certificate mounted on a wooden plaque. The certificate contains the signatures of Kentucky Gov. Beshear, Secretary Roberts and Department of Workplace Standards Commissioner Anthony Russell.

For more on the Governor's Safety and Health Award, and for a list of past winners, click here.

For more on MPS, visit www.multipkg.com.

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